GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION
LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:176
ANSWERED ON:29.11.2002
NEW SUGAR MILLS
MANSINH PATEL;SHIVAJI MANE

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have recently announced a number of incentives for setting up of new sugar mills in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the installed capacity for production of sugar is more than the requirement of sugar in the country at present;

(d) if so, the assessment of the Government in regard to the requirement and production capacity of sugar;

(e) the schemes formulated or proposed to be formulated by the Government for optimum utilization of the entire production; and

(f) the quantum of sugar consumed and exported by the country during the last three years?

Answer

MINISTER OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI SHARAD YADAV)

(a) to (f): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) to (f) OF STARRED QUESTION NO.176 DUE FOR ANSWER ON 29-11-2002 IN THE LOK SABHA.

(a)&(b): No, Sir.

(c) to (e): As on 30.09.2002, the installed capacity of the sugar industry was 174.43 lakh tonnes. The consumption of sugar during the season 2001-2002 was around 173.00 lakh tonnes. During the sugar season 2002-2003, the consumption of sugar is, however, expected at around 182.00 lakh tonnes as against the estimated production of 170.00 lakh tonnes. There is, however, no difficulty envisaged in this regard because of sizeable accumulation of stocks of sugar in the country.

(f): The quantum of sugar consumed and exported by the country during the last three sugar years is as under:-

Sugar Year	Consumption (lakh tonnes)	Exported (lakh tonnes)
1999-2000	159.77	0.23
2000-2001	162.45	9.87
2001-2002	173.04	10.00